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YOU!

THE TRUTH IS AT LAST REVEALED! IT WAS NOT THE LATE DOCTOR ROBOTNIK WHO HAS SECRETLY PLAGUED YOU THESE PAST MONTHS, SONIC--
NO, IT WAS I--

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I AM THE EGGMAN!

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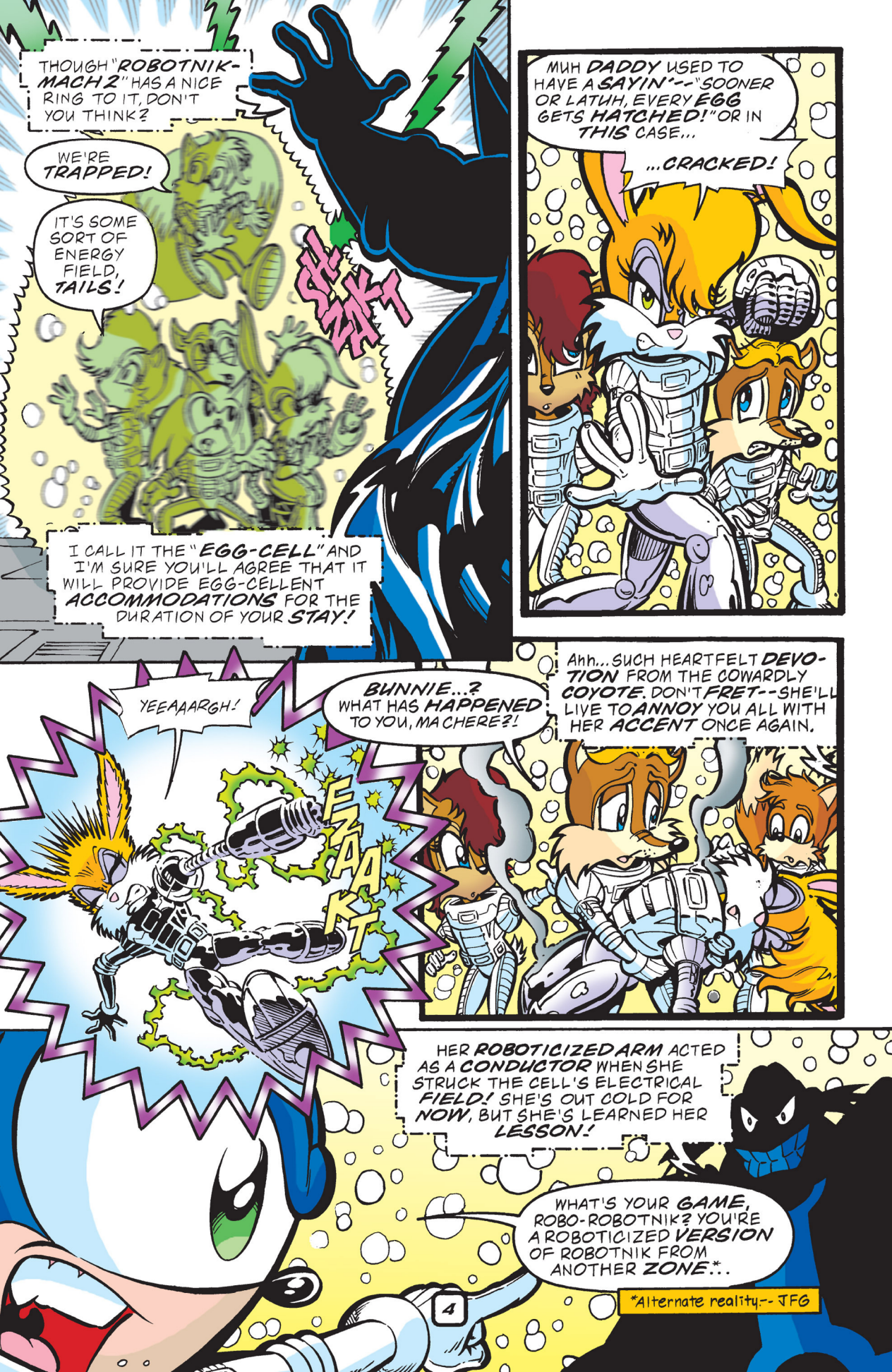
THOUGH "ROBOTNIK-MACH 2" HAS A NICE RING TO IT, DON'T YOU THINK?
WE'RE TRAPPED!
IT'S SOME SORT OF ENERGY FIELD, TAILS!
SH-ZAKT
I CALL IT THE "EGG-CELL" AND I'M SURE YOU'LL AGREE THAT IT WILL PROVIDE EGG-CELLENT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE DURATION OF YOUR STAY!
MUH DADDY USED TO HAVE A SAYIN'--"SOONER OR LATUH, EVERY EGG GETS HATCHED!" OR IN THIS CASE...
...CRACKED!
Ahh... SUCH HEARTFELT DEVOTION FROM THE COWARDLY COYOTE. DON'T FRET--SHE'LL LIVE TO ANNOY YOU ALL WITH HER ACCENT ONCE AGAIN.
BUNNIE...? WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO YOU, MA CHERE?!
YEEAAARGH!
FZAAKT
HER ROBOTICIZED ARM ACTED AS A CONDUCTOR WHEN SHE STRUCK THE CELL'S ELECTRICAL FIELD! SHE'S OUT COLD FOR NOW, BUT SHE'S LEARNED HER LESSON!
WHAT'S YOUR GAME, ROBO-ROBOTNIK? YOU'RE A ROBOTICIZED VERSION OF ROBOTNIK FROM ANOTHER ZONE*...
*Alternate reality.-- JFG
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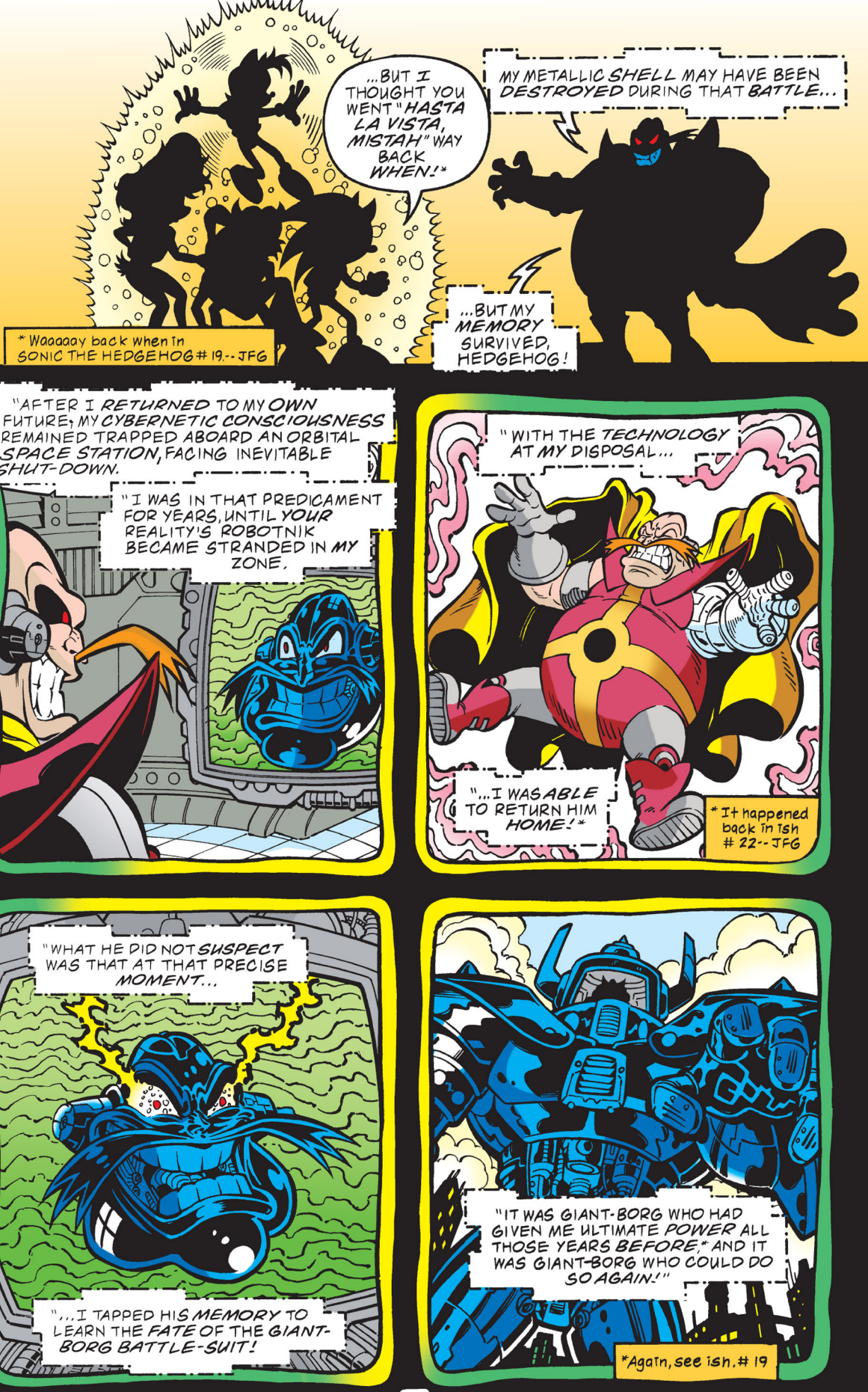

...BUT I THOUGHT YOU WENT "HASTA LA VISTA, MISTAH" WAY BACK WHEN!*
MY METALLIC SHELL MAY HAVE BEEN DESTROYED DURING THAT BATTLE...
...BUT MY MEMORY SURVIVED, HEDGEHOG!
* Waaaaay back when in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 19.-- JFG
"AFTER I RETURNED TO MY OWN FUTURE, MY CYBERNETIC CONSCIOUSNESS REMAINED TRAPPED ABOARD AN ORBITAL SPACE STATION, FACING INEVITABLE SHUT-DOWN.
"I WAS IN THAT PREDICAMENT FOR YEARS, UNTIL YOUR REALITY'S ROBOTNIK BECAME STRANDED IN MY ZONE.
"WITH THE TECHNOLOGY AT MY DISPOSAL...
"...I WAS ABLE TO RETURN HIM HOME!*
* It happened back in ish # 22-- JFG
"WHAT HE DID NOT SUSPECT WAS THAT AT THAT PRECISE MOMENT...
"...I TAPPED HIS MEMORY TO LEARN THE FATE OF THE GIANT-BORG BATTLE-SUIT!
"IT WAS GIANT-BORG WHO HAD GIVEN ME ULTIMATE POWER ALL THOSE YEARS BEFORE,* AND IT WAS GIANT-BORG WHO COULD DO SO AGAIN!"
*Again, see ish. # 19

"ROBOTNIK'S *THOUGHTS* REVEALED THAT ALL OF THE BATTLE-SUIT'S *COMPONENT PARTS* HAD BEEN *DISPERSED* ACROSS VARIOUS ZONES.

"AFTER LOCATING THE *PIECE* THAT HAD LAIN *DORMANT* IN THE FUTURE *REALITY* WHERE I WAS TRAPPED, I *REBUILT* A SUITABLE *BODY* FOR MYSELF.

"LIKE "*BOMB*," A RENEGADE *CREATION* OF MINE, I WAS NOW ABLE TO RETURN FROM *OBLIVION* BY USING THE POWER OF *TECHNOLOGY*.

"WITH *THAT* GOAL ACHIEVED, I *IMMEDIATELY* SET ABOUT *DEVASTATING* THE FACE OF THAT FUTURE *MOBOTROPOLIS*... INCLUDING ITS ROYAL *FAMILY*!

"MY *VICTORY* WAS COMPLETE *UNTIL* I LEARNED THAT *YOUR* REALITY'S VERSION OF ROBOTNIK HAD BEEN ULTIMATELY *ANNIHILATED*!*

*SONIC # 50 (also SONIC SUPER SPECIAL # 6).--JFG

"I HAD ERADICATED *MY* SONIC, WHILE *YOU* HAD RIDDEN YOURSELF OF *YOUR* ROBOTNIK! THUS I TRAVELED THROUGH TIME *AND* SPACE...

...TO FILL THE *VOID* LEFT IN *BOTH* OF OUR LIVES!

YOU'RE EVEN *NUTTIER* THAN THE *OLD* ROBOTNIK, RO"*BUTT*"NIK, AND I *STILL* DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY YOU NEEDED EIGHT *SATELLITES* OF DESTRUCTION TO GET OUR *ATTENTION*!

WHY NOT JUST COME OUT AND SAY, "*HEY EVERYBODY... I'M HERE! I STINK!*"

BLUSTER ALL YOU WISH, *RODENT*-- IT WON'T *HELP*! THE SATELLITES WERE MEANT TO TEST YOUR *PROWESS* AND LURE YOU *AWAY* FROM MOBOTROPOLIS!

LURE US *AWAY* FROM HOME?

UNNGH... WHUT HAPPENED?

WHY DO *THAT*?

"WHY?"

SURRENDER-AND-PREPARE-FOR-COMPLETE-ROBOTIZATION!

SKZAKT

WHAT'S HAPPENING, NATE?

MOBOTROPOLIS IS UNDERSIEGE...

...BY A DANGEROUS ROBOT HORDE, AMY ROSE!

LET -UHNN- GO!

GET OFF US, YOU TIN-PLATED JERKS!

OH, NO! THEY'VE GRABBED JOHN AND JANE DOE!

?

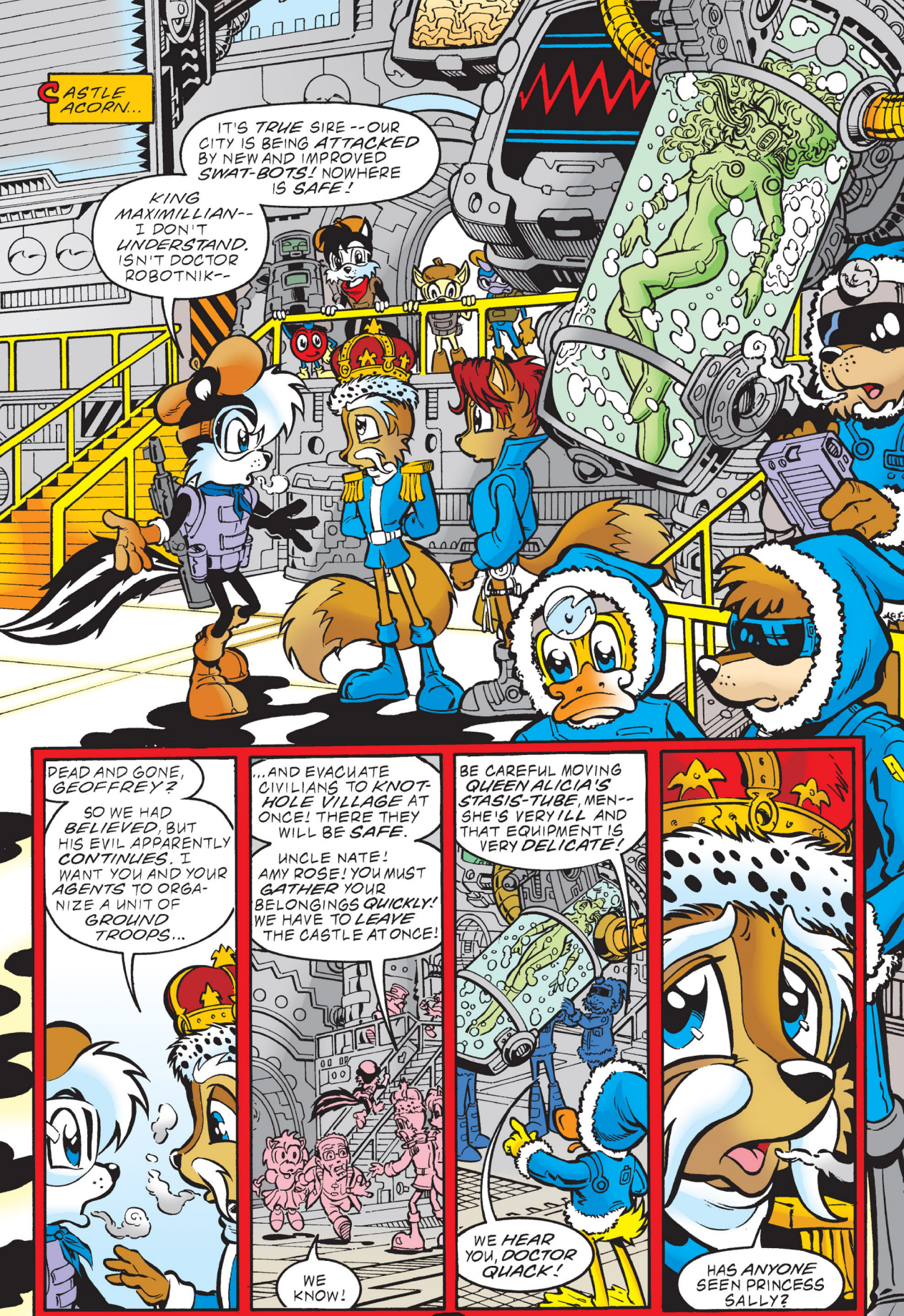
KLONK

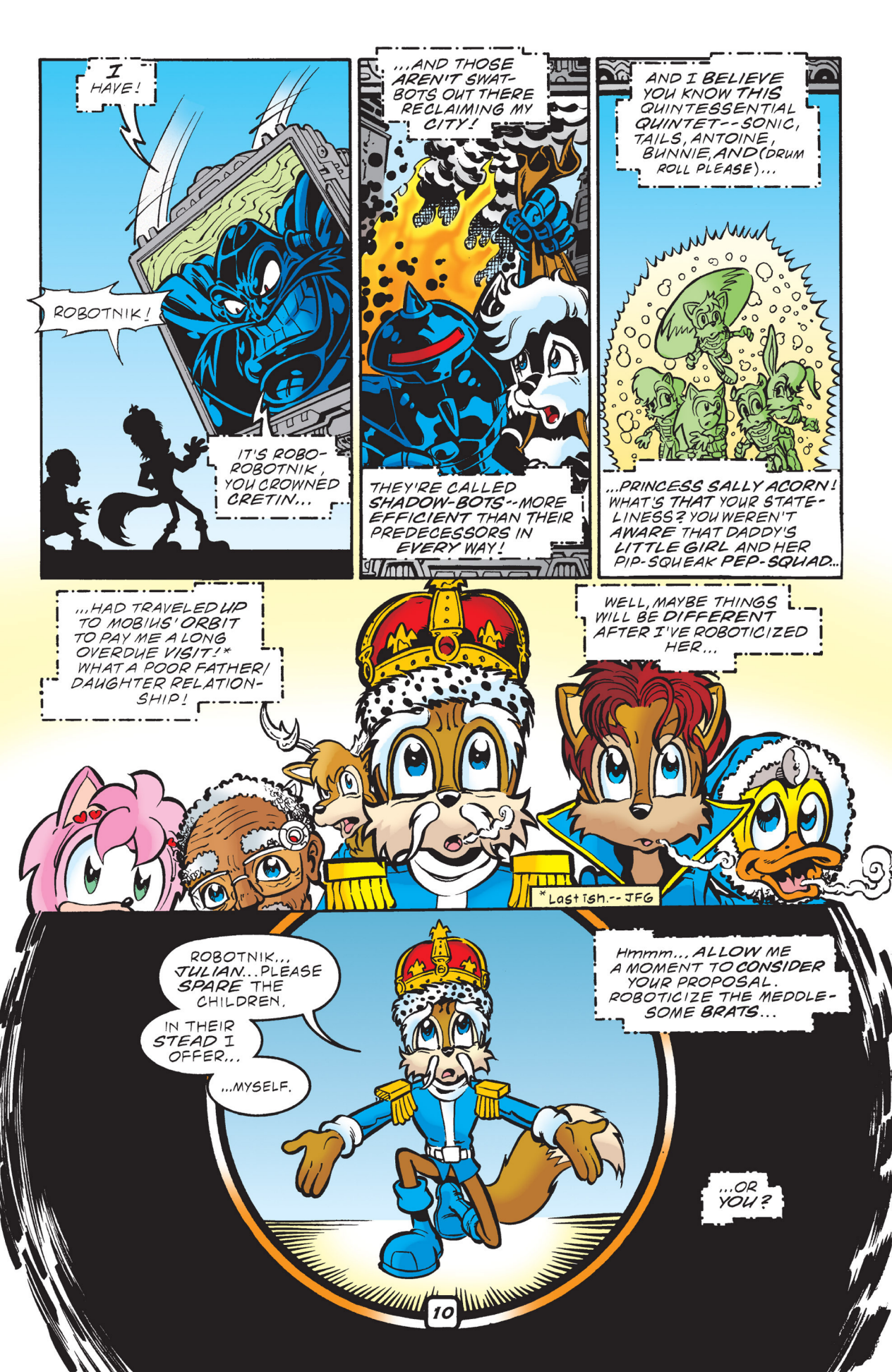
BACK OFF, YOU BIG BULLY!

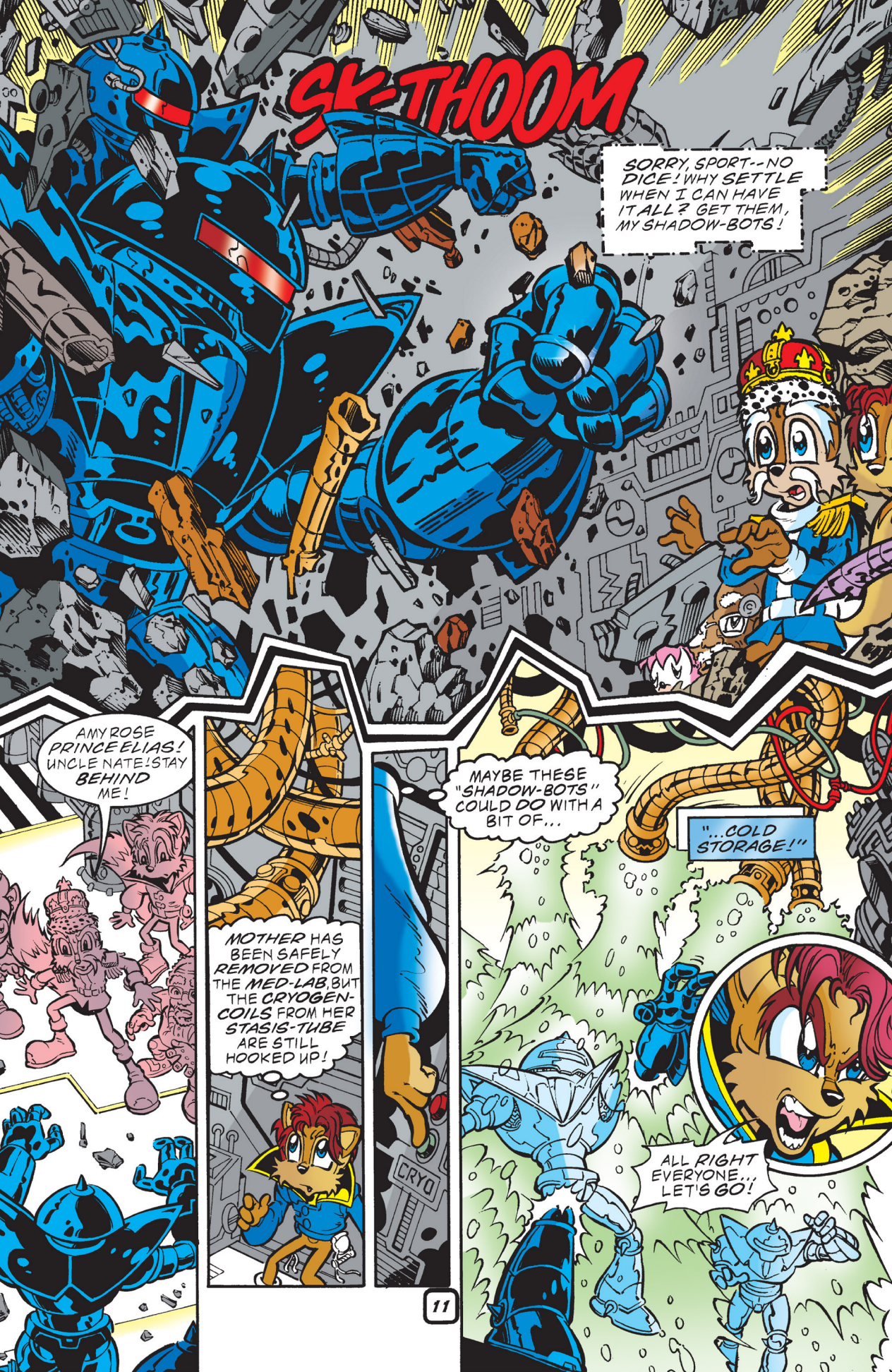
KZORCHT

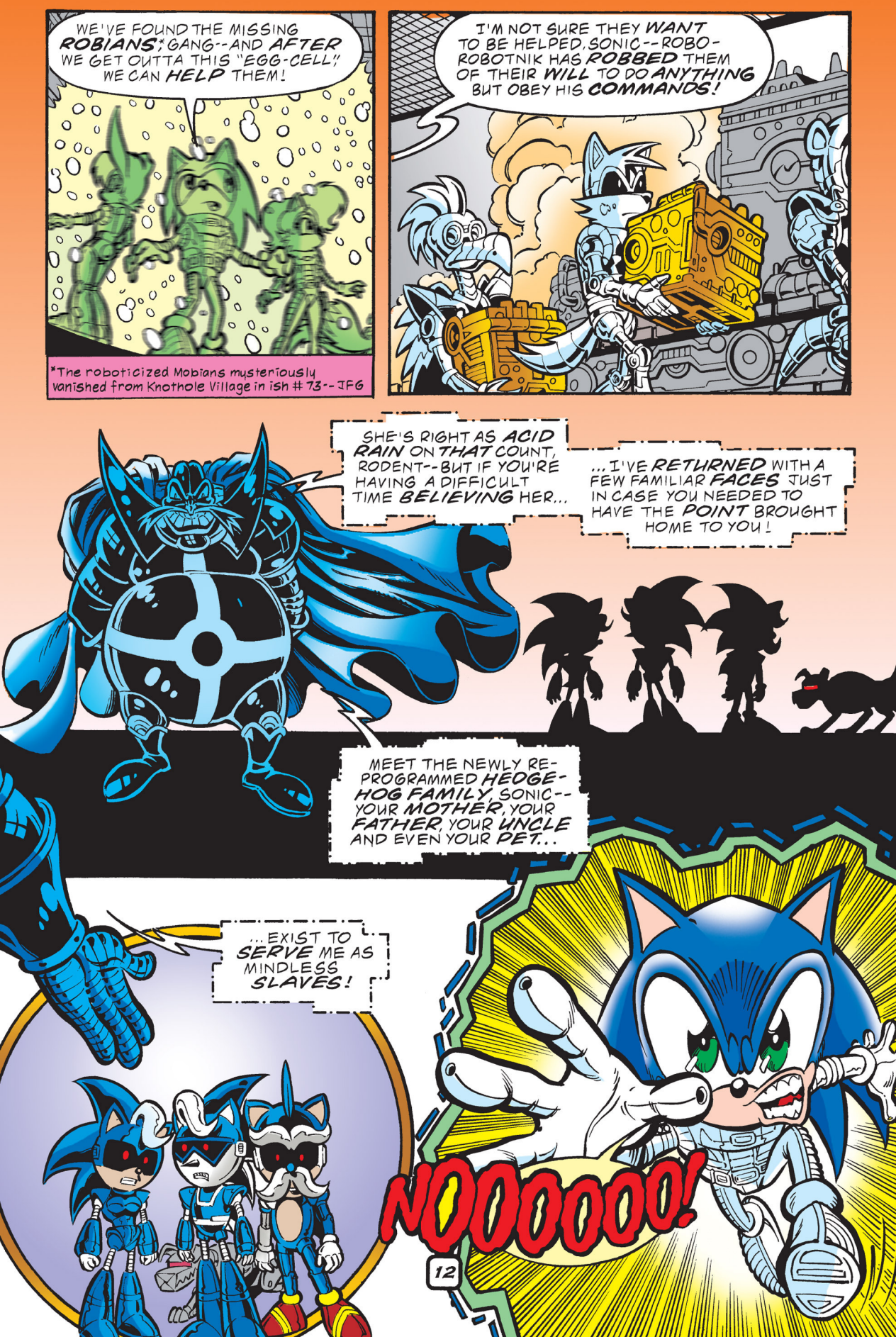
THANKS A LOT, FRIEND! THAT DEVICE REALLY PACKS A WALLOP! WHAT DO YOU CALL IT?

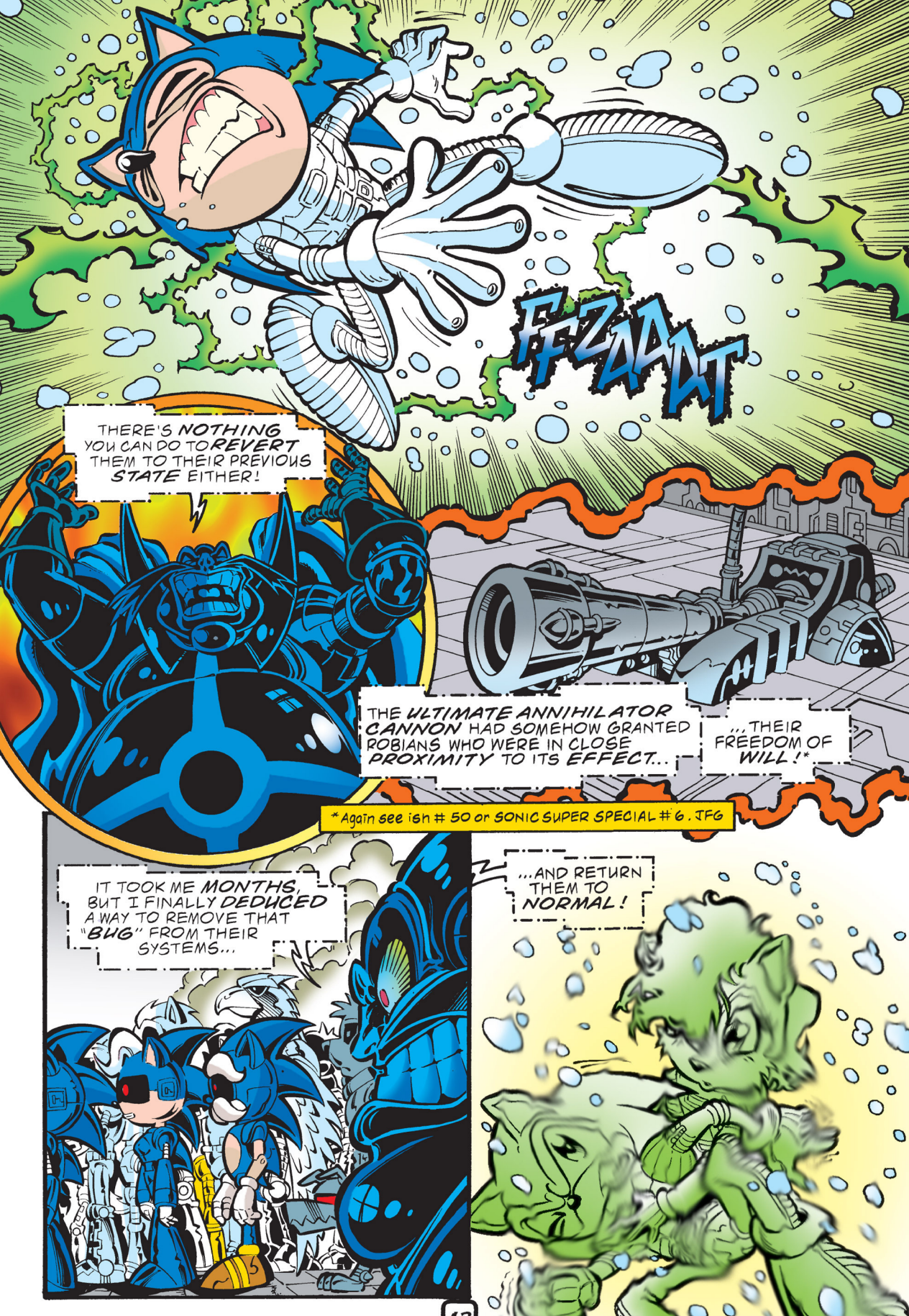
EYEWEAR-- NOW COME WITH US!


CASTLE ACORN...
IT'S TRUE SIRE--OUR CITY IS BEING ATTACKED BY NEW AND IMPROVED SWAT-BOTS! NOWHERE IS SAFE!
KING MAXIMILLIAN--I DON'T UNDERSTAND. ISN'T DOCTOR ROBOTNIK--
DEAD AND GONE, GEOFFREY?
SO WE HAD BELIEVED, BUT HIS EVIL APPARENTLY CONTINUES. I WANT YOU AND YOUR AGENTS TO ORGANIZE A UNIT OF GROUND TROOPS...
...AND EVACUATE CIVILIANS TO KNOT-HOLE VILLAGE AT ONCE! THERE THEY WILL BE SAFE.
UNCLE NATE! AMY ROSE! YOU MUST GATHER YOUR BELONGINGS QUICKLY! WE HAVE TO LEAVE THE CASTLE AT ONCE!
WE KNOW!
BE CAREFUL MOVING QUEEN ALICIA'S STASIS-TUBE, MEN--SHE'S VERY ILL AND THAT EQUIPMENT IS VERY DELICATE!
WE HEAR YOU, DOCTOR QUACK!
HAS ANYONE SEEN PRINCESS SALLY?

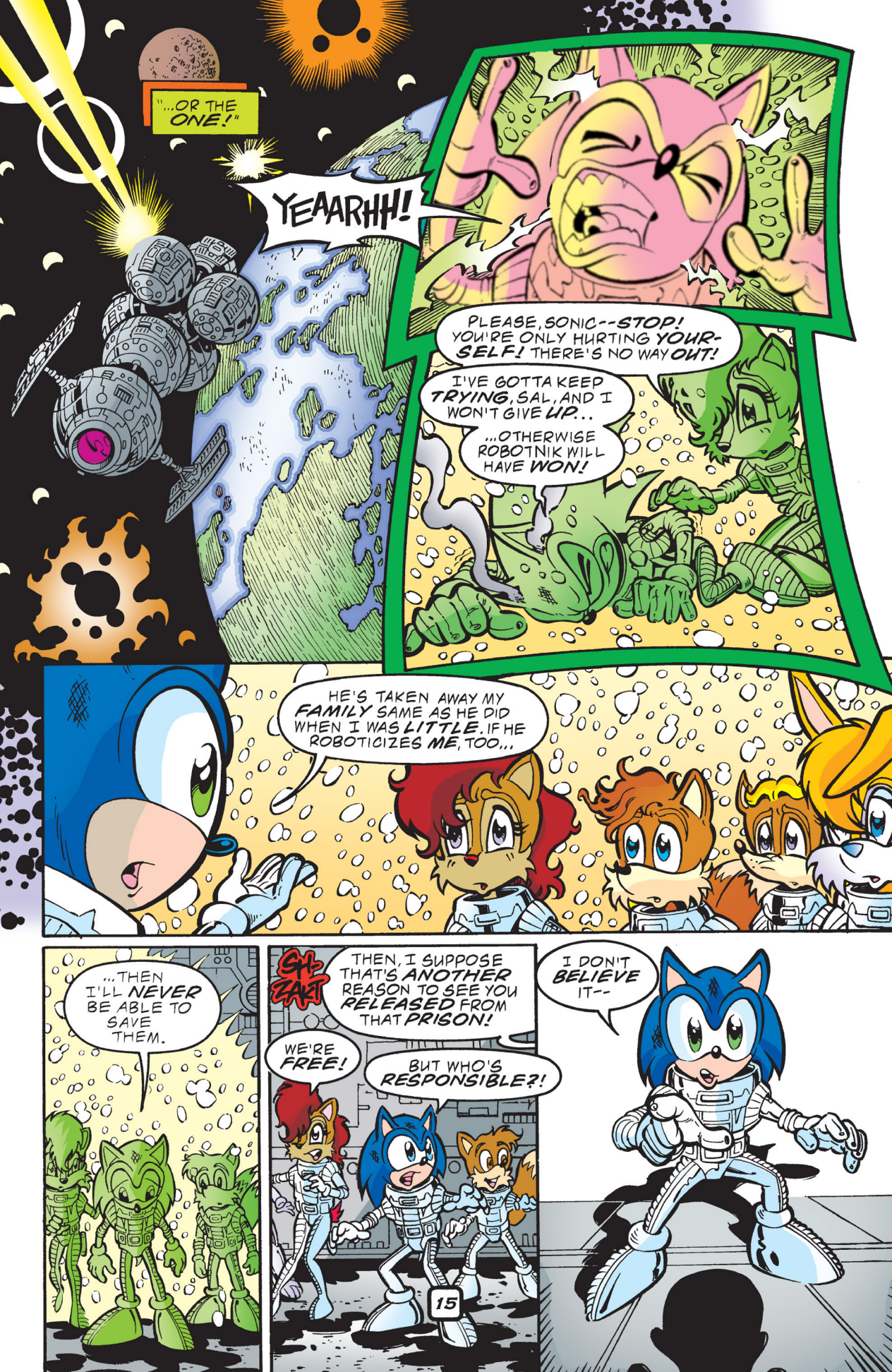

I HAVE!
ROBOTNIK!
IT'S ROBO-ROBOTNIK, YOU CROWNED CRETIN...
...AND THOSE AREN'T SWAT-BOTS OUT THERE RECLAIMING MY CITY!
THEY'RE CALLED SHADOW-BOTS--MORE EFFICIENT THAN THEIR PREDECESSORS IN EVERY WAY!
AND I BELIEVE YOU KNOW THIS QUINTESSENTIAL QUINTET--SONIC, TAILS, ANTOINE, BUNNIE, AND (DRUM ROLL PLEASE)...
...PRINCESS SALLY ACORN! WHAT'S THAT YOUR STATE-LINESS? YOU WEREN'T AWARE THAT DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL AND HER PIP-SQUEAK PEP-SQUAD...
...HAD TRAVELED UP TO MOBIUS' ORBIT TO PAY ME A LONG OVERDUE VISIT!* WHAT A POOR FATHER/DAUGHTER RELATION-SHIP!
WELL, MAYBE THINGS WILL BE DIFFERENT AFTER I'VE ROBOTICIZED HER...
*Last ish.--JFG
ROBOTNIK... JULIAN... PLEASE SPARE THE CHILDREN.
IN THEIR STEAD I OFFER...
...MYSELF.
Hmmm... ALLOW ME A MOMENT TO CONSIDER YOUR PROPOSAL. ROBOTICIZE THE MEDDLE-SOME BRATS...
...OR YOU?


SK-THOOM
SORRY, SPORT--NO DICE! WHY SETTLE WHEN I CAN HAVE IT ALL? GET THEM, MY SHADOW-BOTS!
AMY ROSE PRINCE ELIAS! UNCLE NATE! STAY BEHIND ME!
MOTHER HAS BEEN SAFELY REMOVED FROM THE MED-LAB, BUT THE CRYOGEN-COILS FROM HER STASIS-TUBE ARE STILL HOOKED UP!
CRYO
MAYBE THESE "SHADOW-BOTS" COULD DO WITH A BIT OF...
"...COLD STORAGE!"
ALL RIGHT EVERYONE... LET'S GO!


WE'VE FOUND THE MISSING ROBIANS* GANG--AND AFTER WE GET OUTTA THIS "EGG-CELL," WE CAN HELP THEM!
*The roboticized Mobians mysteriously vanished from Knothole Village in ish # 73--JFG
I'M NOT SURE THEY WANT TO BE HELPED, SONIC--ROBO-ROBOTNIK HAS ROBBED THEM OF THEIR WILL TO DO ANYTHING BUT OBEY HIS COMMANDS!
SHE'S RIGHT AS ACID RAIN ON THAT COUNT, RODENT--BUT IF YOU'RE HAVING A DIFFICULT TIME BELIEVING HER...
...I'VE RETURNED WITH A FEW FAMILIAR FACES JUST IN CASE YOU NEEDED TO HAVE THE POINT BROUGHT HOME TO YOU!
MEET THE NEWLY RE-PROGRAMMED HEDGE-HOG FAMILY, SONIC--YOUR MOTHER, YOUR FATHER, YOUR UNCLE AND EVEN YOUR PET...
...EXIST TO SERVE ME AS MINDLESS SLAVES!
NOOOOOO!


FFZAADT
THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO TO REVERT THEM TO THEIR PREVIOUS STATE EITHER!
THE ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR CANNON HAD SOMEHOW GRANTED ROBIANS WHO WERE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO ITS EFFECT...
...THEIR FREEDOM OF WILL!*
*Again see ish # 50 or SONIC SUPER SPECIAL # 6. JFG
IT TOOK ME MONTHS, BUT I FINALLY DEDUCED A WAY TO REMOVE THAT "BUG" FROM THEIR SYSTEMS...
...AND RETURN THEM TO NORMAL!

MOBOTROPOLIS...
SURRENDER--
--AND-PREPARE-FOR-COMPLETE-ROBOT-IZATION!
K-TANG
K-TING
YOU BATTERY-OPERATED BLOKES HAD BETTER STEP AWAY FROM ROSIE AND HER YOUNG CHARGES...
?
...OR LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO FACE HIS MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE!
BOMB--SHOW THEM WHAT I MEAN!
PING PING PING
KA-BOOM
GET THOSE KIDS OUTTA HERE, TEAM--I'LL HOLD THE 'BOTS OFF!
VALDEZ!
WE MUST GO TO HIS AID OR--
WE MUST GET EVERYONE TO SAFETY, GEOFF--THE NEEDS OF THE MANY OUTWEIGHS THE NEEDS OF THE FEW...


"...OR THE ONE!"
YEAARHH!
PLEASE, SONIC--STOP! YOU'RE ONLY HURTING YOURSELF! THERE'S NO WAY OUT!
I'VE GOTTA KEEP TRYING, SAL, AND I WON'T GIVE UP...
...OTHERWISE ROBOTNIK WILL HAVE WON!
HE'S TAKEN AWAY MY FAMILY SAME AS HE DID WHEN I WAS LITTLE. IF HE ROBOTICIZES ME, TOO...
...THEN I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SAVE THEM.
CH-CHAK
THEN, I SUPPOSE THAT'S ANOTHER REASON TO SEE YOU RELEASED FROM THAT PRISON!
WE'RE FREE!
BUT WHO'S RESPONSIBLE?!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT--
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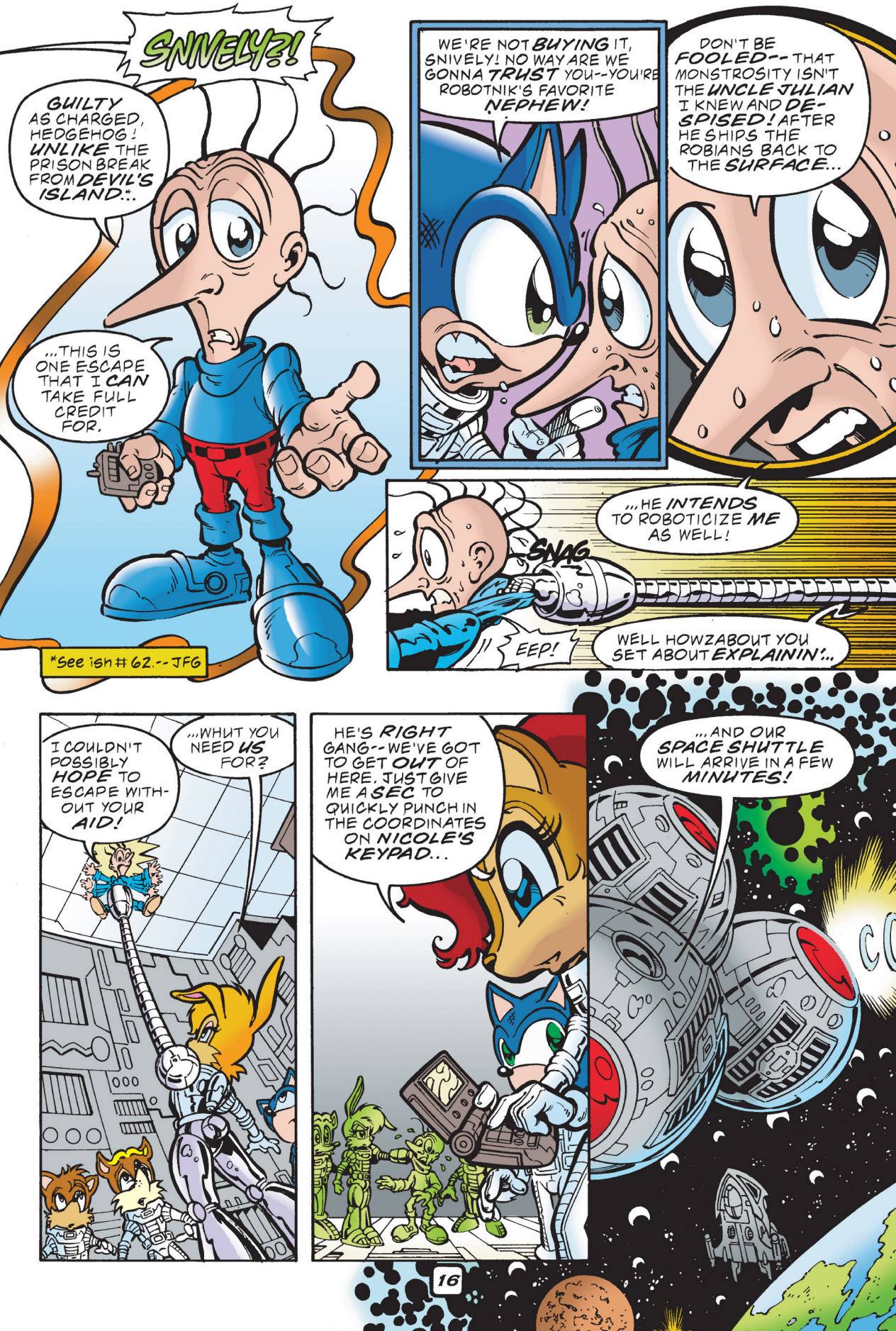
SNIVELY?!
GUILTY AS CHARGED, HEDGEHOG! UNLIKE THE PRISON BREAK FROM DEVIL'S ISLAND!:.
...THIS IS ONE ESCAPE THAT I CAN TAKE FULL CREDIT FOR.
*See issh # 62.-- JFG
WE'RE NOT BUYING IT, SNIVELY! NO WAY ARE WE GONNA TRUST YOU--YOU'RE ROBOTNIK'S FAVORITE NEPHEW!
DON'T BE FOOLED-- THAT MONSTROSITY ISN'T THE UNCLE JULIAN I KNEW AND DE-SPISED! AFTER HE SHIPS THE ROBIANS BACK TO THE SURFACE...
...HE INTENDS TO ROBOTICIZE ME AS WELL!
SNAG
EEP!
WELL HOWZABOUT YOU SET ABOUT EXPLAININ'...
I COULDN'T POSSIBLY HOPE TO ESCAPE WITH-OUT YOUR AID!
...WHUT YOU NEED US FOR?
HE'S RIGHT GANG--WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE. JUST GIVE ME A SEC TO QUICKLY PUNCH IN THE COORDINATES ON NICOLE'S KEYPAD...
...AND OUR SPACE SHUTTLE WILL ARRIVE IN A FEW MINUTES!
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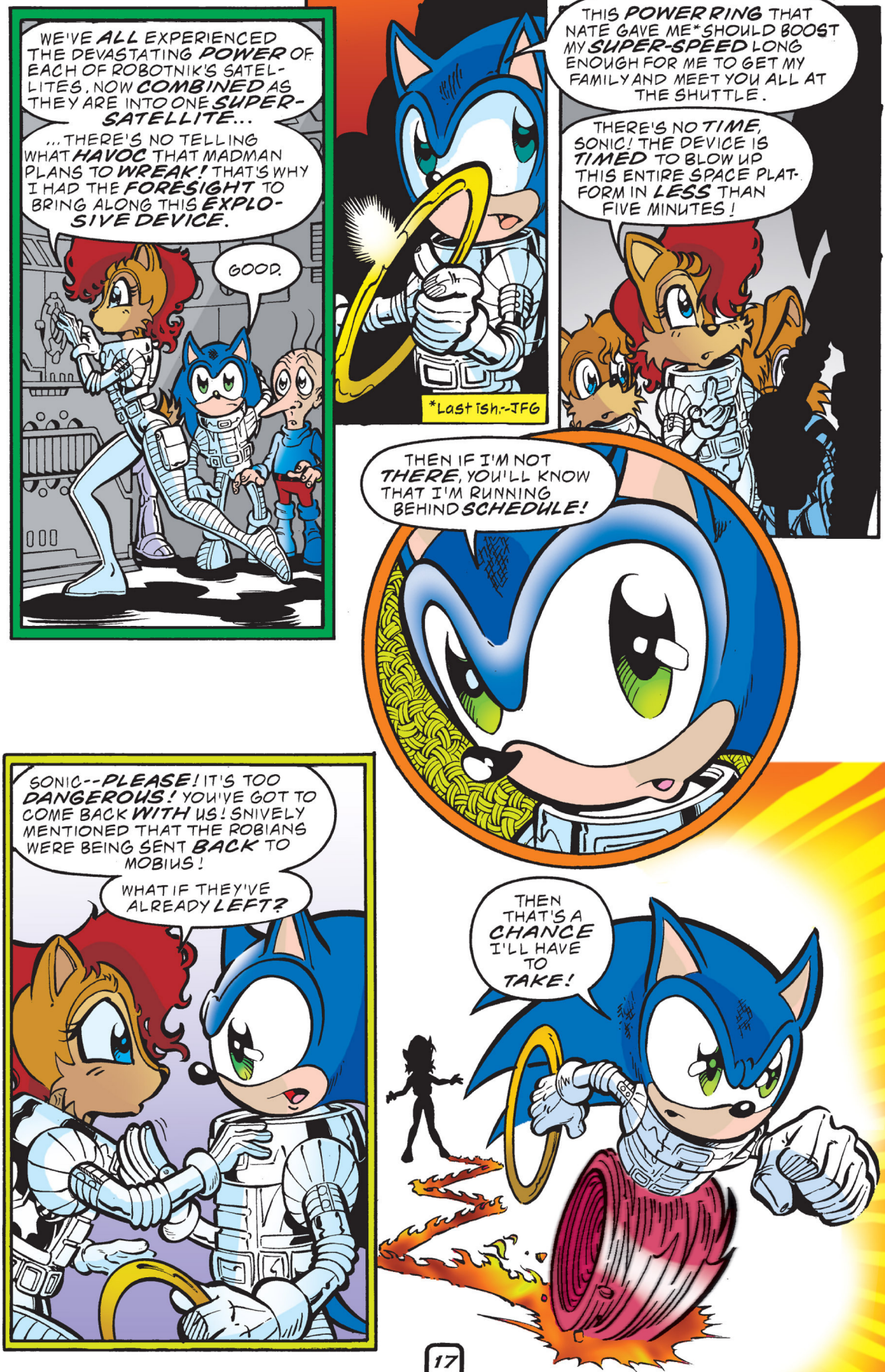
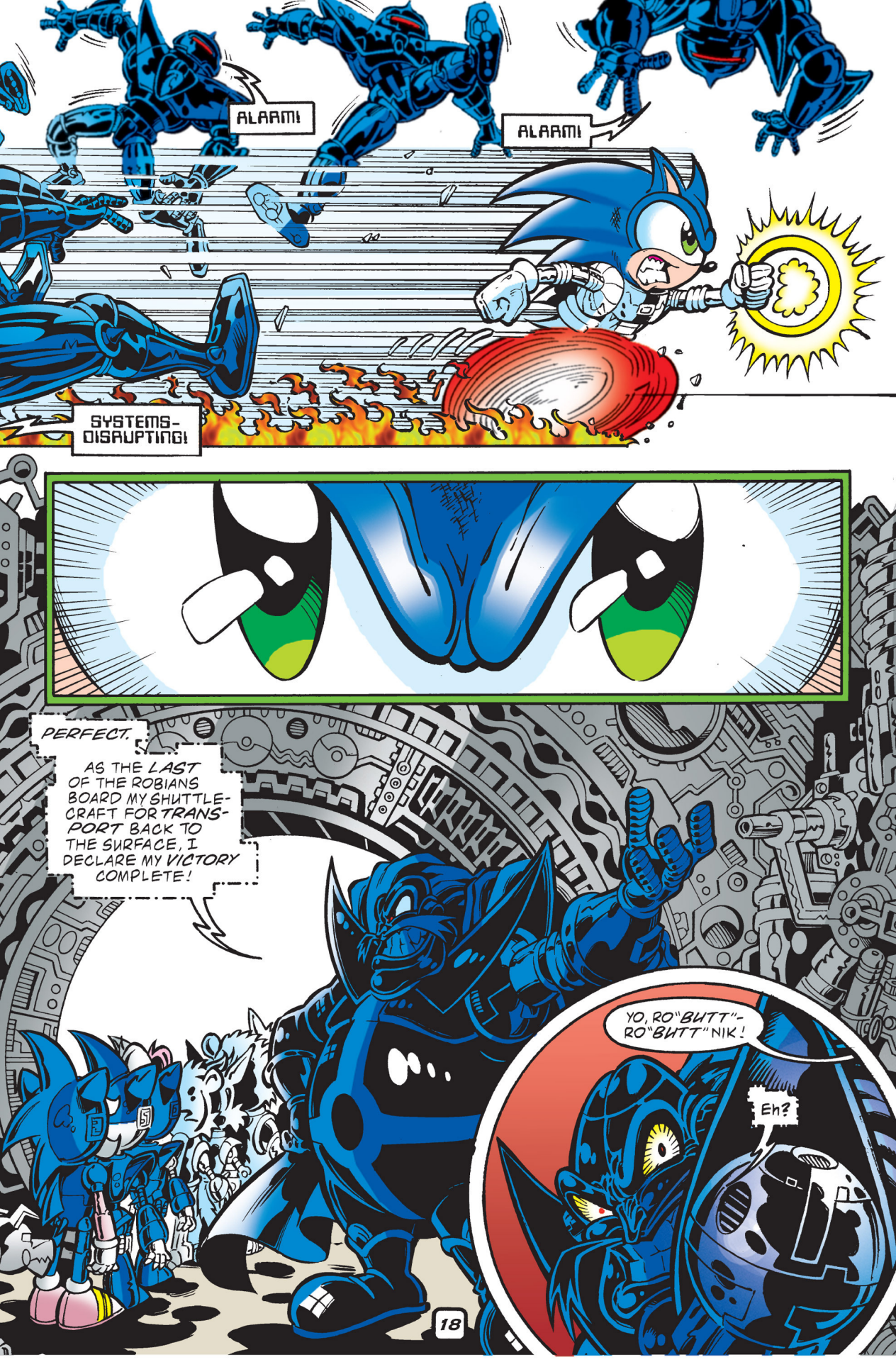
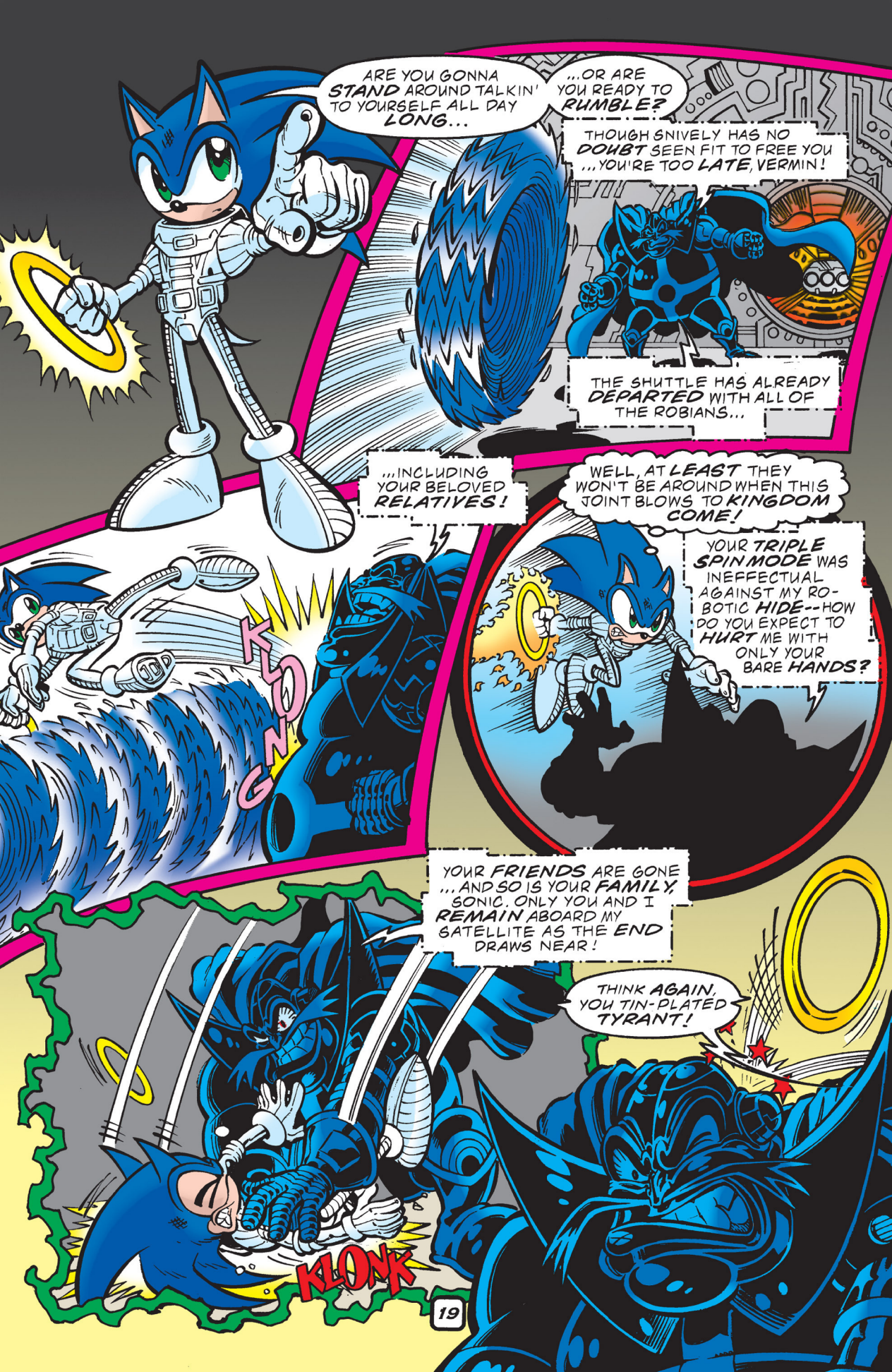

WE'VE ALL EXPERIENCED THE DEVASTATING POWER OF EACH OF ROBOTNIK'S SATELLITES. NOW COMBINED AS THEY ARE INTO ONE SUPER-SATELLITE...
...THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT HAVOC THAT MADMAN PLANS TO WREAK! THAT'S WHY I HAD THE FORESIGHT TO BRING ALONG THIS EXPLOSIVE DEVICE.
GOOD.
*Last ish.-JFG
THIS POWER RING THAT NATE GAVE ME* SHOULD BOOST MY SUPER-SPEED LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO GET MY FAMILY AND MEET YOU ALL AT THE SHUTTLE.
THERE'S NO TIME, SONIC! THE DEVICE IS TIMED TO BLOW UP THIS ENTIRE SPACE PLATFORM IN LESS THAN FIVE MINUTES!
THEN IF I'M NOT THERE, YOU'LL KNOW THAT I'M RUNNING BEHIND SCHEDULE!
SONIC--PLEASE! IT'S TOO DANGEROUS! YOU'VE GOT TO COME BACK WITH US! SNIVELY MENTIONED THAT THE ROBIANS WERE BEING SENT BACK TO MOBIUS!
WHAT IF THEY'VE ALREADY LEFT?
THEN THAT'S A CHANCE I'LL HAVE TO TAKE!


ALARM!
ALARM!
SYSTEMS-DISRUPTING!
PERFECT.
AS THE LAST OF THE ROBIANS BOARD MY SHUTTLE-CRAFT FOR TRANS-PORT BACK TO THE SURFACE, I DECLARE MY VICTORY COMPLETE!
YO, RO"BUTT"-RO"BUTT"NIK!
Eh?


ARE YOU GONNA STAND AROUND TALKIN' TO YOURSELF ALL DAY LONG...
...OR ARE YOU READY TO RUMBLE?
THOUGH SNIVELY HAS NO DOUBT SEEN FIT TO FREE YOU ...YOU'RE TOO LATE, VERMIN!
THE SHUTTLE HAS ALREADY DEPARTED WITH ALL OF THE ROBIANS...
...INCLUDING YOUR BELOVED RELATIVES!
WELL, AT LEAST THEY WON'T BE AROUND WHEN THIS JOINT BLOWS TO KINGDOM COME!
YOUR TRIPLE SPIN MODE WAS INEFFECTUAL AGAINST MY ROBOTIC HIDE--HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO HURT ME WITH ONLY YOUR BARE HANDS?
KLONG
YOUR FRIENDS ARE GONE ...AND SO IS YOUR FAMILY, SONIC. ONLY YOU AND I REMAIN ABOARD MY SATELLITE AS THE END DRAWS NEAR!
THINK AGAIN, YOU TIN-PLATED TYRANT!
KLONK
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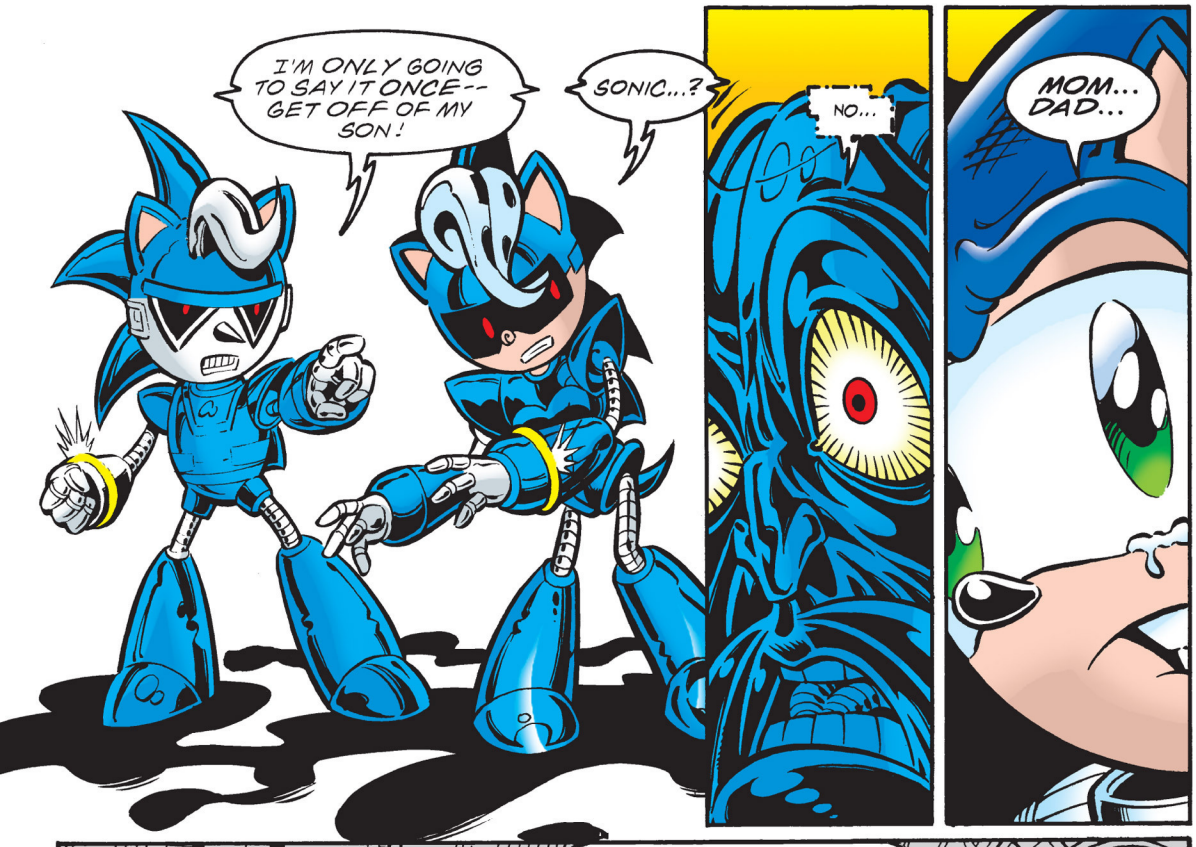
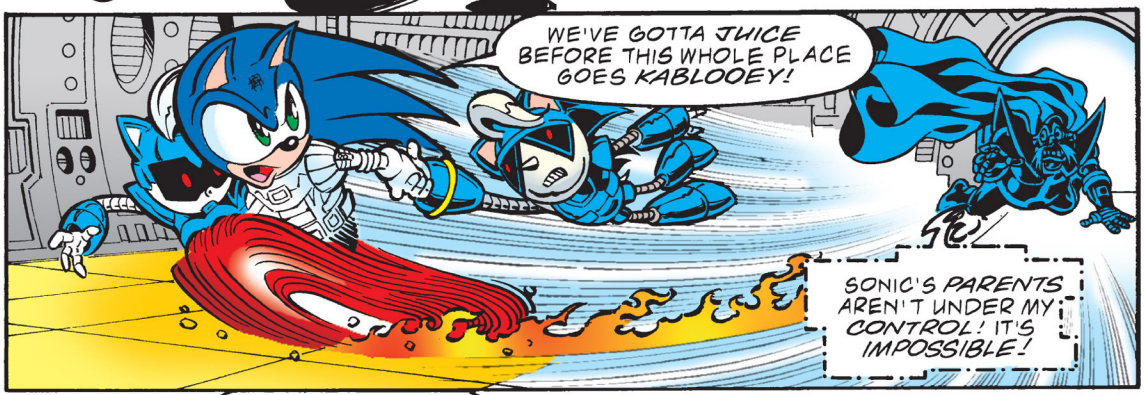
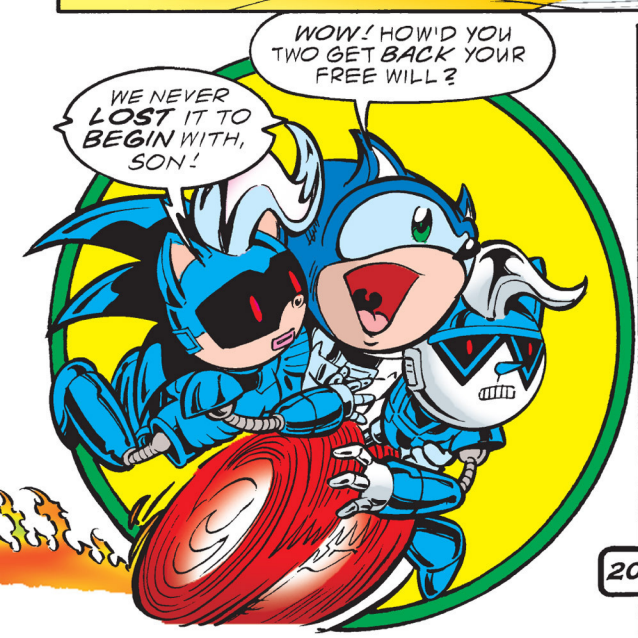
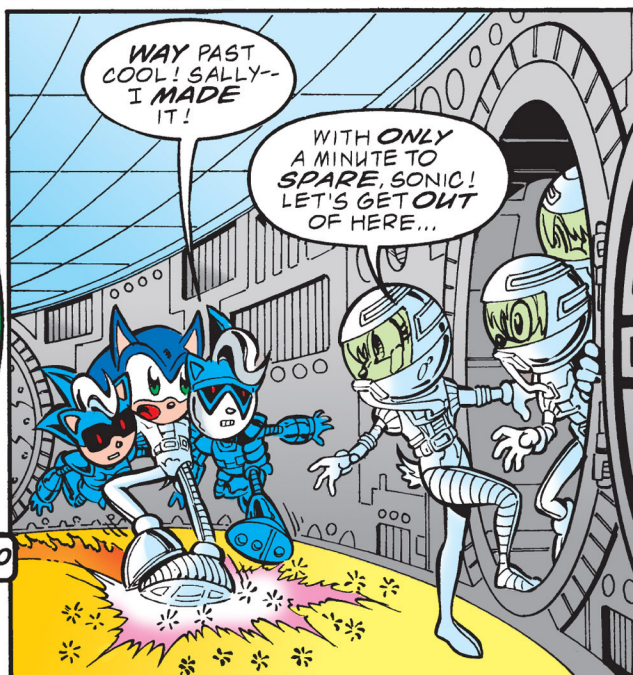

I'M ONLY GOING TO SAY IT ONCE-- GET OFF OF MY SON!
SONIC...?
NO...
MOM... DAD...


WE'VE GOTTA JUICE BEFORE THIS WHOLE PLACE GOES KABLOOEY!
SONIC'S PARENTS AREN'T UNDER MY CONTROL! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!


WOW! HOW'D YOU TWO GET BACK YOUR FREE WILL?
WE NEVER LOST IT TO BEGIN WITH, SON!


WAY PAST COOL! SALLY-- I MADE IT!
WITH ONLY A MINUTE TO SPARE, SONIC! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE...

"...NOW!"
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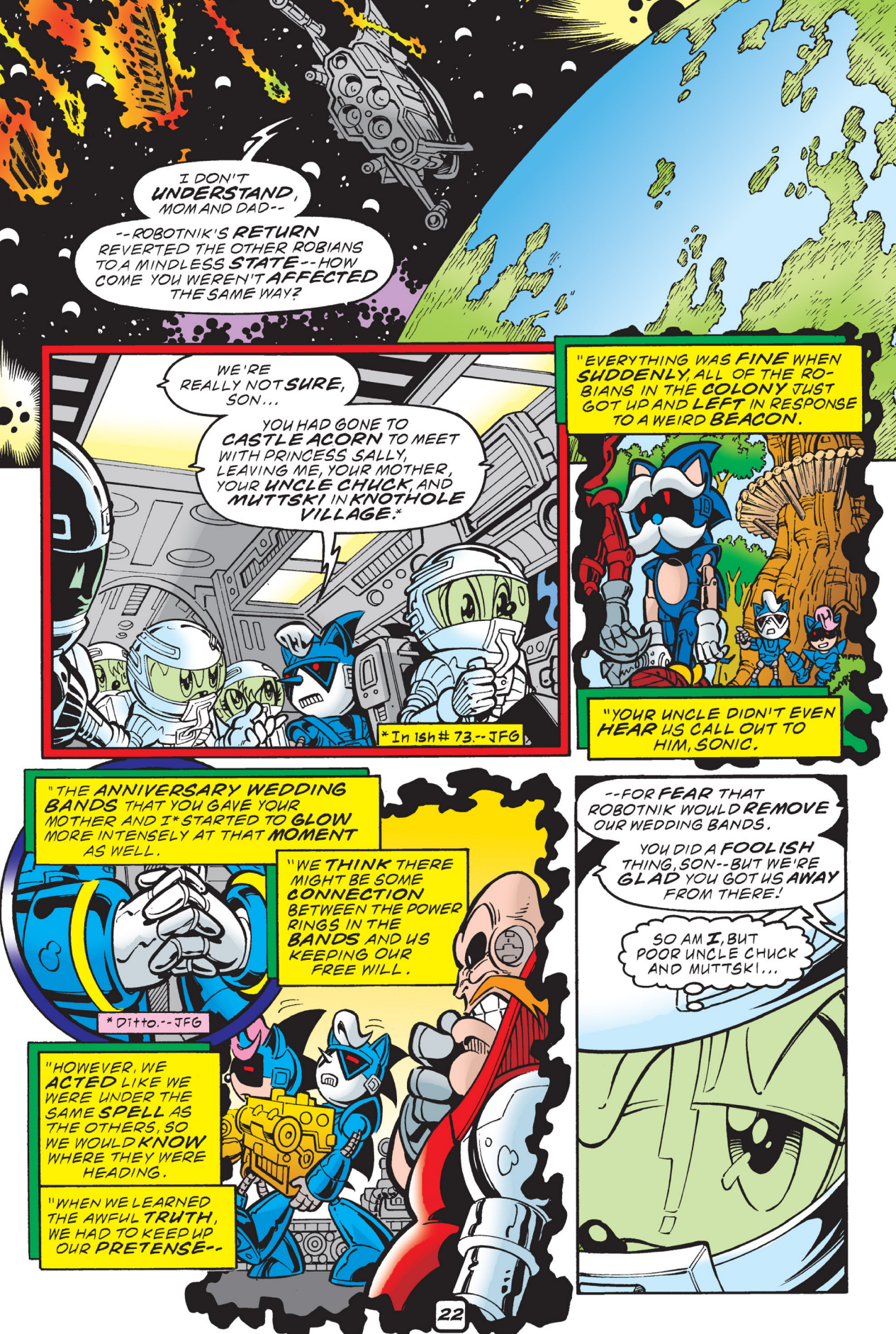
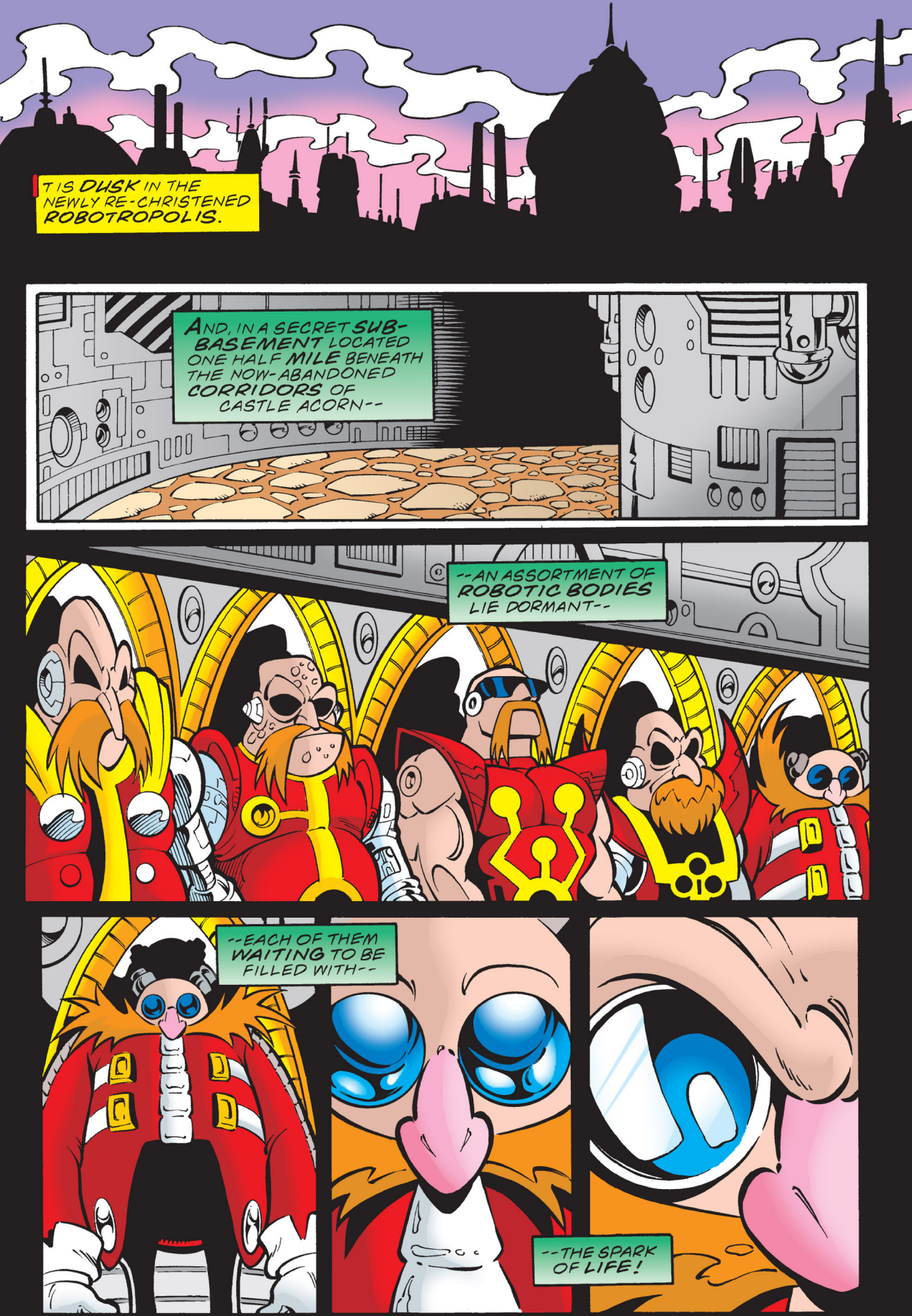
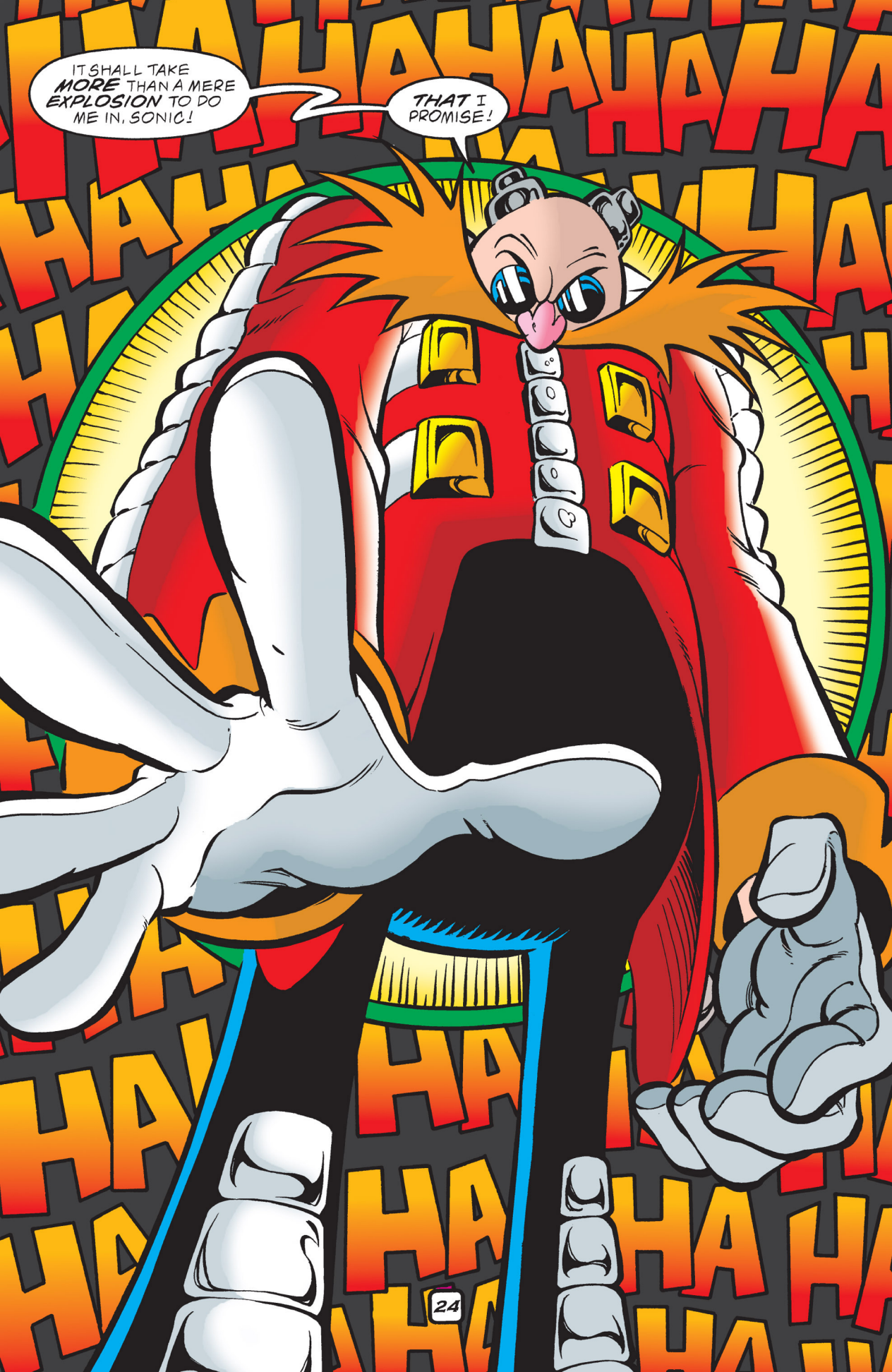
KRAKA-BOOM


I DON'T UNDERSTAND, MOM AND DAD--
--ROBOTNIK'S RETURN REVERTED THE OTHER ROBIANS TO A MINDLESS STATE--HOW COME YOU WEREN'T AFFECTED THE SAME WAY?
WE'RE REALLY NOT SURE, SON...
YOU HAD GONE TO CASTLE ACORN TO MEET WITH PRINCESS SALLY, LEAVING ME, YOUR MOTHER, YOUR UNCLE CHUCK, AND MUTTSKI IN KNOTHOLE VILLAGE.*
*In Ish # 73.--JFG
"EVERYTHING WAS FINE WHEN SUDDENLY, ALL OF THE ROBIANS IN THE COLONY JUST GOT UP AND LEFT IN RESPONSE TO A WEIRD BEACON.
"YOUR UNCLE DIDN'T EVEN HEAR US CALL OUT TO HIM, SONIC.
"THE ANNIVERSARY WEDDING BANDS THAT YOU GAVE YOUR MOTHER AND I* STARTED TO GLOW MORE INTENSELY AT THAT MOMENT AS WELL.
*Ditto.--JFG
"WE THINK THERE MIGHT BE SOME CONNECTION BETWEEN THE POWER RINGS IN THE BANDS AND US KEEPING OUR FREE WILL.
"HOWEVER, WE ACTED LIKE WE WERE UNDER THE SAME SPELL AS THE OTHERS, SO WE WOULD KNOW WHERE THEY WERE HEADING.
"WHEN WE LEARNED THE AWFUL TRUTH, WE HAD TO KEEP UP OUR PRETENSE--
--FOR FEAR THAT ROBOTNIK WOULD REMOVE OUR WEDDING BANDS.
YOU DID A FOOLISH THING, SON--BUT WE'RE GLAD YOU GOT US AWAY FROM THERE!
SO AM I, BUT POOR UNCLE CHUCK AND MUTTSKI...


T IS DUSK IN THE NEWLY RE-CHRISTENED ROBOTROPOLIS.
AND, IN A SECRET SUB-BASEMENT LOCATED ONE HALF MILE BENEATH THE NOW-ABANDONED CORRIDORS OF CASTLE ACORN--
--AN ASSORTMENT OF ROBOTIC BODIES LIE DORMANT--
--EACH OF THEM WAITING TO BE FILLED WITH--
--THE SPARK OF LIFE!


IT SHALL TAKE MORE THAN A MERE EXPLOSION TO DO ME IN, SONIC!
THAT I PROMISE!
HA
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AND IF YOU ENJOYED OUR LAST 75 ISSUES, STICK AROUND--WE PROMISE THE NEXT 75 WILL BE EVEN MORE PACKED WITH FUN-FILLED ACTION AND EXCITEMENT!
HASTA LA VISTA, 'TIL NEXT TIME!
ADIOS AMIGOS! STEVEN BUTLER
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After ten long years, the iron-fisted rule of DOCTOR ROBOTNIK over planet MOBIUS was believed to have finally ended! With the technological tyrant vanquished and his smelly factories shut down, order and beauty was restored to the city of MOBOTROPOLIS. Now the villain has returned to wreak havoc once more, but there are many who are willing to stand against him in the fight for freedom. The bravest among them is a brash, blue streak who just happens to be the fastest thing alive!

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